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# Election of members of the functional commissions of the Council

## Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with section V of Economic and Social Council resolution 557 C (XVIII) of 5 August 1954, as amended by the Council's decision of 19 December 1968, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to Member States informing them of the forthcoming vacancies in the functional commissions to be filled by the Council at its resumed organizational session for 2003 (29 and 30 April 2003).

2. Under the terms of Council resolution 1147 (XLI) of 4 August 1966, in 2003 the members of the Statistical Commission, the Commission on Population and Development, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on Human Rights, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, the Commission on Sustainable Development and the Commission on Science and Technology for Development are to be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution according to a specified pattern. The Secretary-General, in the annex to his note verbale, indicated the pattern applicable to each of those commissions.

3. The current membership of the functional commissions is given in the annex below. The number of members to be elected to each commission from each regional group is also indicated.

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# Annex

## Membership of the functional commissions in 2003

### Statistical Commission

**(24 members; four-year term)**

**Five members from African States**

Algeria (2005), Ghana (2005), Morocco* (2003), South Africa (2005), Uganda* (2003)

**Four members from Asian States**

China* (2003), India (2004), Japan (2004), Pakistan* (2003)

**Four members from Eastern European States**

Czech Republic (2004), Hungary* (2003), Romania* (2003), Russian Federation (2005)

**Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Costa Rica (2005), Jamaica (2004), Mexico (2004), Peru* (2003)

**Seven members from Western European and other States**

Denmark (2005), France (2004), Greece (2004), New Zealand (2005), Spain (2005), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2004), United States of America* (2003)

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**Eight** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

One member from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

## Commission on Population and Development

**(47 members; four-year term)**

**Twelve members from African States**

Algeria* (2003), Botswana (2005), Cameroon (2004), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2006), Egypt (2004), Gambia (2005), Ghana (2004), Kenya* (2003), Mauritania (2006), Nigeria (2005), Uganda* (2003), Zambia (2005)

**Eleven members from Asian States**[a]

Bangladesh (2004), China (2005), India (2005), Indonesia (2004), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2006), Japan* (2003), Malaysia (2004), Pakistan* (2003), Philippines (2006)

**Five members from Eastern European States**

Belarus* (2003), Hungary (2006), Lithuania (2004), Poland (2005), Russian Federation (2005)

**Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States**[b]

Bolivia (2006), Brazil* (2003), El Salvador (2006), Guyana (2004), Jamaica (2005), Mexico (2005), Nicaragua (2005), Peru (2004)

**Ten members from Western European and other States**

Austria (2004), Belgium (2004), France* (2003), Germany (2004), Ireland (2005), Luxembourg (2006), Netherlands* (2003), Norway (2005), Turkey (2004), United States of America (2005)

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**Nine** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

[a] There are two vacancies in this group for members whose terms would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2005.

[b] There is one vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2004.

## Commission for Social Development

**(46 members; four-year term: membership of the forty-second session[a])**

**Twelve members from African States**

Benin* (2004), Central African Republic (2007), Comoros (2005), Gabon (2005), Ghana* (2004), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (2007), Nigeria* (2004), Senegal (2007), South Africa (2005), Sudan* (2004), United Republic of Tanzania (2005), Zambia (2007)

**Ten members from Asian States**

Bangladesh (2005), China (2005), India (2007), Indonesia* (2004), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2007), Japan* (2004), Kazakhstan (2005), Pakistan (2007), Republic of Korea* (2004), Viet Nam (2005)

**Five members from Eastern European States**

Belarus* (2004), Bulgaria (2005), Czech Republic (2005), Romania (2007), Russian Federation* (2004)

**Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Argentina (2007), Dominican Republic (2007), Ecuador* (2004), El Salvador (2005), Guatemala* (2004), Jamaica (2005), Mexico (2005), Peru* (2004), Suriname (2007)

**Ten members from Western European and other States**

Austria (2005), Denmark (2005), France* (2004), Germany* (2004), Italy (2005), Malta (2007), Spain (2007), Switzerland (2005), Turkey (2007), United States of America* (2004)

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**Fifteen** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Three members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

[a] In accordance with Council decision 2002/210, the Council will elect its new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-third session, to be held in 2004, and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-sixth session in 2008.

## Commission on Human Rights

**(53 members; three-year term)**

**Fifteen members from African States**

Algeria* (2003), Burkina Faso (2005), Cameroon* (2003), Democratic Republic of the Congo* (2003), Gabon (2005), Kenya* (2003), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya* (2003), Senegal* (2003), Sierra Leone (2004), South Africa* (2003), Sudan (2004), Swaziland (2005), Togo (2004), Uganda (2004), Zimbabwe (2005)

**Twelve members from Asian States**

Bahrain (2004), China (2005), India* (2003), Japan (2005), Malaysia* (2003), Pakistan (2004), Republic of Korea (2004), Saudi Arabia* (2003), Sri Lanka (2005), Syrian Arab Republic* (2003), Thailand* (2003), Viet Nam* (2003)

**Five members from Eastern European States**

Armenia (2004), Croatia (2004), Poland* (2003), Russian Federation* (2003), Ukraine (2005)

**Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Argentina (2005), Brazil (2005), Chile (2004), Costa Rica* (2003), Cuba* (2003), Guatemala* (2003), Mexico (2004), Paraguay (2005), Peru* (2003), Uruguay* (2003), Venezuela* (2003)

**Ten members from Western European and other States**

Australia (2005), Austria (2004), Belgium* (2003), Canada* (2003), France (2004), Germany (2005), Ireland (2005), Sweden (2004), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (2003), United States of America (2005)

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**Twenty-four** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Seven members from African States;

Six members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Six members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

* Retiring member.

## Commission on the Status of Women

**(45 members; four-year term: membership of the forty-eighth session[a])**

**Thirteen members from African States**

Algeria (2007), Benin* (2004), Botswana (2006), Burkina Faso (2006), Congo (2007), Gabon (2006), Guinea (2005), Malawi* (2004), Nigeria (2007), South Africa (2006), Sudan (2006), Tunisia (2005), United Republic of Tanzania (2005)

**Eleven members from Asian States**

China* (2004), India (2007), Indonesia (2006), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2006), Japan (2005), Kyrgyzstan* (2004), Malaysia (2006), Pakistan (2005), Republic of Korea (2006), Thailand (2007), United Arab Emirates (2006)

**Four members from Eastern European States**

Armenia (2007), Azerbaijan (2005), Croatia* (2004), Russian Federation (2007)

**Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Argentina (2005), Bolivia (2007), Brazil* (2004), Chile* (2004), Cuba (2006), Dominican Republic* (2004), Guatemala (2006), Nicaragua (2006), Peru (2005)

**Eight members from Western European and other States**

Belgium (2007), Canada (2007), Denmark* (2004), Germany (2005), Netherlands (2005), Turkey (2007), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2005), United States of America* (2004)

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**Ten** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

[a] In accordance with Council decision 2002/234, the Council will elect its new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-ninth session, to be held in 2004, and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-second session in 2008.

## Commission on Narcotic Drugs

**(53 members; four-year term)**[a]

**Eleven members from African States**

Angola* (2003), Benin* (2003), Burkina Faso (2005), Egypt* (2003), Gambia (2005), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya* (2003), Mozambique* (2003), Nigeria (2005), South Africa (2005), Sudan* (2003), Swaziland* (2003)

**Eleven members from Asian States**[a]

China (2005), India* (2003), Indonesia (2005), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (2003), Japan (2005), Kazakhstan* (2003), Kyrgyzstan* (2003), Pakistan (2005), Philippines* (2003), Republic of Korea* (2003), Thailand* (2003)

**Six members from Eastern European States**

Belarus (2005), Czech Republic* (2003), Russian Federation (2005), Slovakia* (2003), The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia* (2003), Ukraine (2005)

**Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States**[a]

Argentina* (2003), Bolivia* (2003), Brazil* (2003), Colombia (2005), Cuba* (2003), Ecuador* (2003), Jamaica (2005), Mexico (2005), Nicaragua (2005), Peru* (2003), Venezuela* (2003)

**Fourteen members from Western European and other States**

Australia (2005), Austria* (2003), Canada* (2003), Denmark* (2003), France* (2003), Germany* (2003), Greece* (2003), Italy* (2003), Netherlands (2005), Portugal* (2003), Spain (2005), Turkey (2005), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2005), United States of America* (2003)

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**Thirty-three** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Seven members from African States;

Eight members from Asian States;

Three members from Eastern European States;

Six members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Nine members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

[a] In accordance with Council resolution 1991/49 of 21 June 1991, one seat rotates between Asian States and Latin American and Caribbean States every four years. The rotating seat was allocated to Latin American and Caribbean States in 1999 for a four-year term beginning 1 January 2000. In 2003, the rotating seat will be allocated to Asian States for a four-year term, thus giving Asian States 12 seats and Latin American and Caribbean States 10 seats.

## Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

**(40 members; three-year term)**

**Twelve members from African States**

Algeria (2005), Central African Republic (2005), Chad* (2003), Comoros (2005), Democratic Republic of the Congo* (2003), Ethiopia (2005), Gambia (2005), Mauritania (2005), Togo* (2003), Uganda (2005), Zambia (2005), Zimbabwe* (2003)

**Nine members from Asian States**

China (2005), India* (2003), Indonesia* (2003), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (2003), Japan (2005), Pakistan (2005), Republic of Korea (2005), Saudi Arabia* (2003), Uzbekistan* (2003)

**Four members from Eastern European States**

Bulgaria* (2003), Croatia (2005), Poland* (2003), Russian Federation (2005)

**Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Argentina* (2003), Brazil* (2003), Colombia* (2003), Costa Rica* (2003), El Salvador (2005), Mexico* (2003), Nicaragua (2005), Peru (2005)

**Seven members from Western European and other States**

Austria (2005), France* (2003), Germany (2005), Italy (2005), Netherlands* (2003), Portugal* (2003), United States of America* (2003)

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**Twenty** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Five members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Five members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

* Retiring member.

## Commission on Sustainable Development

**(53 members; three-year term: membership of the twelfth session[a])**

**Thirteen seats for African States**

Democratic Republic of the Congo (2005), Egypt (2005), Ethiopia (2006), Gabon (2005), Ghana* (2004), Guinea-Bissau (2006), Lesotho (2005), Morocco* (2004), Nigeria* (2004), Senegal* (2004), South Africa (2005), Sudan (2006), Uganda (2006)

**Eleven seats for Asian States**

China (2005), Fiji (2006), India* (2004), Indonesia* (2004), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (2004), Japan (2006), Mongolia* (2004), Nepal (2005), Republic of Korea (2006), Saudi Arabia (2005), Uzbekistan (2005)

**Six seats for Eastern European States**

Azerbaijan (2005), Croatia (2005), Hungary (2006), Republic of Moldova* (2004), Russian Federation (2006), Slovenia* (2004)

**Ten seats for Latin American and Caribbean States**

Antigua and Barbuda (2005), Argentina (2005), Brazil* (2004), Costa Rica (2005), Ecuador* (2004), Honduras (2006), Jamaica (2006), Peru (2005), Saint Lucia (2006), Venezuela* (2004)

**Thirteen seats for Western European and other States**

Australia (2006), Austria* (2004), Belgium (2005), Canada (2005), France* (2004), Germany (2005), Iceland* (2004), Netherlands (2006), Norway (2005), Switzerland* (2004), Turkey (2005), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2006), United States of America (2006)

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**Seventeen** members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

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* Retiring member.

[a] In accordance with Council resolution 1997/63, the Council will elect its new members for a three-year term beginning at the organizational meeting of the Commission's thirteenth session in 2004 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifteenth session in the year 2007.

## Commission on Science and Technology for Development

**(33 members; four-year term)**

**Eight members from African States**

Algeria (2004), Cameroon (2004), Ethiopia (2006), Ghana (2004), Lesotho (2006), Morocco (2006), Sierra Leone (2004), Sudan (2006)

**Seven members from Asian States**

Bangladesh (2006), China (2006), India (2006), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2006), Jordan (2004), Philippines (2004), Sri Lanka (2004)

**Four members from Eastern European States**

Belarus (2006), Romania (2006), Russian Federation (2004), Slovakia (2004)

**Six members from Latin American and Caribbean States**

Bolivia (2006), Brazil (2004), Chile (2006), Grenada (2004), Jamaica (2004), Paraguay (2006)

**Eight members from Western European and other States**[a]

Austria (2004), Belgium (2006), Germany (2006), Spain (2004)

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[a] There are four vacancies in this group: two for members whose terms would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2004; and two for members whose terms would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2006.